MEMORANDUM OF AGREEMENT between The State of Texas and The State of Idaho concerning Concealed Handgun Permit Reciprocity

WHEREAS, the State of Texas has the authority to issue a Concealed Handgun License pursuant to V.T.C.A. Government Code § 411, Subchapter H; and

WHEREAS, the State of Idaho has the authority to issue a Concealed Weapon License pursuant to Idaho Code § 18-3302; and

WHEREAS, the State of Texas is authorized to recognize the validity of a nonresident Concealed Handgun License if the Texas Attorney General determines that a background check of each applicant for a license issued by the other state is conducted by state or local authorities, or agent thereof, before the license is issued to determine the applicants' eligibility to possess a firearm under the Federal Gun Control Act (18 U.S.C. § 922); and

WHEREAS, the Texas Attorney General has made such affirmative determination with respect to the State of Idaho; and

WHEREAS, the State of Texas is therefore authorized to recognize the validity of Idaho Concealed Weapons Licenses pursuant to V.T.C.A. Government Code § 411.173 (b) except as limited below; and

WHEREAS, the State of Idaho is authorized to recognize a valid permit from a state or local law enforcement agency or court authorizing a licensee to carry a concealed weapon if the permit is in the licensee's physical possession, pursuant to Idaho Code § 18-3302 (12) (g); and

WHEREAS, Concealed Handgun License reciprocity between Texas and Idaho is thus supported by the laws of both states;

NOW, THEREFORE, the parties do hereby agree as follows:

- 1. The State of Texas shall give full faith and credit to a valid Concealed Weapons License issued by the State of Idaho, except as limited below; and
- 2. The State of Idaho affirms that Idaho Code § 18-3302 will operate to give full faith and credit to a valid Concealed Handgun License issued by the State of Texas if in the physical possession of the licensee while in Idaho; and

 The State of Texas and the State of Idaho will inform each other of any changes to their respective concealed carry weapons statutes that may affect the eligibility of the recognition granted by each state.

This Memorandum of Agreement applies only to the carrying of handguns by valid license holders from the respective states and not to any other types of weapons. For purposes of this Agreement, the term "handgun" means any firearm that is designed, made, or adapted to be fired with a single hand.

This Memorandum of Agreement becomes effective on the date of the final signature and shall continue in effect unless modified by mutual written consent, or terminated by either state upon thirty (30) days' written notice. This document is not intended to limit or restrict the statutory authority or jurisdiction of either state.

RICK PERRY Governor of Texas

LAWRENCE G. WASDEN Attorney General of Idaho

DATE 8/6/04

I hereby certify that a background check of each applicant for a license issued by the State of Idaho is conducted by Idaho or its local authorities, or an agent of the State of Idaho or its local authorities, before the license is issued to determine the applicants' eligibility to possess a firearm under federal law.

GREG ABBOTH

Attorney General of Texas